

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

PEDRO TIEMPO GARCIA, §
Plaintiff, §
VS. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:13-CV-226
G. CURRIE, *et al.*, §
Defendants. §

OPINION AND ORDER ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Defendants have filed a motion for a protective order (D.E. 18), seeking protection from the burden of discovery requests in this case. Defendants have raised the issue of qualified immunity in their answer; therefore they are not required to answer discovery requests that do not deal directly with the issue of qualified immunity. *Babb v. Dorman*, 33 F.3d 472, 477 (5th Cir. 1994) (citations omitted).

Accordingly, the motion for a protective order (D.E. 18) is granted in part. Defendants are not required to respond to any discovery requests except for those directly related to the issue of qualified immunity. After reviewing Plaintiff's discovery requests (D.E. 17), it does not appear that any of the information he seeks relates to the issue of

qualified immunity, and Defendants are not required to respond to those discovery requests.¹

ORDERED this 25th day of November, 2013.



B. JANICE ELLINGTON
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

¹ Plaintiff is reminded that according to the Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas, discovery and discovery requests are not filed with the court. LR5.4.